

Remarks

Claims 1-42 are pending. Claims 10-42 are withdrawn in accordance with the Examiner's previous restriction requirement. Claims 1 and 5 are amended.

The informality in Claim 1 to which the Examiner objected is corrected in the manner suggested by the Examiner.

The Examiner rejected Claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph for reciting the term "normally" which the Examiner deemed indefinite. Accordingly, Applicant has deleted that term from Claim 5.

The Examiner indicated allowable subject matter in Claims 4 and 9 but rejected Claims 1-3, and 8 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,781,156 ("Krasner"). Applicant has accordingly incorporated all limitations of Claim 9 into parent Claim 1. Claim 1 is therefore allowable. As Claims 2-3 and 8 each depend from Claim 1, the amendment to Claim 1 renders these claims allowable also.

The Examiner did not provide any substantive ground for rejecting Claims 6-7. However, as Claims 6-7 depend from Claims 1 and 3, Applicant submit that Claims 6-7 are now allowable.

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For the above reasons, all pending claims (i.e., Claims 1-9) are believed allowable. Their allowance is therefore requested. If the Examiner has any question regarding the above, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned Attorney for Applicant at (408)-392-9250.

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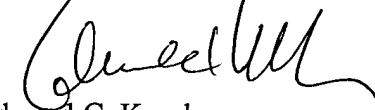


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